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## RESPONSE (with AMENDMENT)

to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 16, 2007

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## Dear Examiner:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed <u>March 16, 2007</u> (Paper No. / Mail Date <u>20070314</u>), please consider the following remarks.

This document is filed by Applicants' representative on behalf of the present Applicants for patent. Accordingly, references in this document to "we," "us," "our," and the like will be understood as indicating the present Applicants.